Environmental Impact Statement FHWA / MDOT Planning and Approval Process Concurrence by Planning **Approval of Draft EIS** Issuance of EPA, FWS, Corps, DEQ Receive request for study (Only when the NEPA/404 process is used) Advertise availability of document for Record of Decision Identify need review and comment (Conclusion of NEPA approval process) Define study area Identify/document issues - Develop list of stakeholders Develop Study Plan Determine feasibility Define scope of study Evaluate project for funding Define study objectives Public Hearing Place in LRP/SLRP and TIP/STIP Determine schedule Advertise hearing Hold hearing Proceed? Scoping Refine study area/define project area Proceed? Refine list of stakeholders Inventory and map known resources Final Design / Right of Prepare Final EIS Identify social, economic, and Way Acquisition environmental constraints Select recommended alternative Identify preliminary alternatives Review plans for environmental Analyze/respond to comments and Initial public involvement and agency commitments remaining issues coordination Follow through on mitigation Establish Study Team Summarize environmental commitments - Finalize any mitigation plans or Hire a Consultant - Submit Final EIS & Draft ROD for FHWA approval **Prepare Draft EIS** Review/address comments from Obtain Permits the public and resource agencies Required Federal, State and Local Perform field studies permits must be obtained to proceed Publish Notice of Intent - Map results of field studies Concurrence by to construction Select practical alternatives EPA, FWS, Corps, DEQ to Prepare an EIS (Only when the NEPA/404 process is used Develop and analyze practical alternatives (Beginning of NEPA approval process) - Prepare any needed conceptual mitigatio Submit Draft EIS for FHWA approval **Approval of Final EIS** Construction Concurrence by Document the EPA, FWS, Corps, DEQ Advertise availability of document Monitor commitments during and after (Only when the NEPA/404 process is used) Purpose and Need construction

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